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SUMMARY: NATO SENDS ONE ANNUAL REPORT TO WEU COUNCIL
(REF A), CLASSIFIED NATO SECRET, CONTAINING FORCE STRENGTHS
FOR THE ALLIES THAT ARE WEU MEMBERS (REFS B AND C).

NATO ALSO SENDS A NUMBER OF OTHER CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS
TO WEU AGENCIES, SUCH AS EXTRACTS FROM THE DPQ AND
DEFENSE PLANNING REVIEW PERTAINING TO WEU NATIONS (REFS D
THROUGH G). WE ARE CHECKING ON THE FULL EXTENT OF
CLASSIFIED NATO REPORTS CURRENTLY BEING PASSED TO WEU
OR ITS AGENCIES. END SUMMARY.

1. NATO SENDS AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE WESTERN EUROPEAN
COUNCIL ON THE STRENGTH OF FORCES MAINTAINED UNDER NATIONAL
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COMMAND DOR THE COMMON DEFENSE IN THE AREA OF ACE. THIS

IS PROBABLY THE DOCUMENT MENTIONED IN PARA 3, REF A.
THE REPORT CONTAINS PERSONNEL FIGURES OF THE FORCES OF
THE ALOIES THAT ARE WEU MEMBERS--BELGIUM, FRANCE, FRG,
ITALY, LUXEMBOURG, NETHERLANDS AND UK--AND IS CLAS-
SIFIED NATO SECRET. THE REPORT IS APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL
BEFORE RELEASE; THE LATEST VERSION IS CONTAINED IN ANNEX II
OF C-M(76)52, DATED 26 AUGUST 1976 (REFS B AND C).
JUSTIFICATION FOR THIS REPORT IS BASED ON SECTION IV
OF THE FINAL ACT OF THE LONDON CONFERENCE OF 1954 (SEE
ALSO: C-M(54)89, 22 OCTOBER 1954; C-M(58)26, 17 FEBRUARY
1958; AND C-M(62)86, 7 AUGUST 1962).

2. IN ADDITION TO THIS ANNUAL REPORT TO THE WEU COUNCIL,
NATO PASSES OTHER CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS TO THE ARMAMENTS
CONTROL AGENCY OF THE WEU, BASED ON NAC APPROVAL OF C-M(56)76,
1 JUNE 1956. THESE DOCUMENTS ARE INTENDED FOR
INTERNAL USE ONLY AND SHOULD NOT NORMALLY BE DISTRIBUTED
TO INDIVIDUAL NATIONS. ANNEX 1 TO ENCLOSURE "C" OF
C-M(55)15(FINAL), AS REVISED BY C-M(74)51, 30 AUGUST
1974 (THE BASIC NATO SECURITY MANUAL), PROVIDES THAT THE
NAC MUST APPROVE THE RELEASE OF DOCUMENTS CLASSIFIED
NATO SECRET OR COSMIC TOP SECRET; HOWEVER, THIS
PROCEDURE WAS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED BY C-M(74)59,
14 OCTOBER 1974 TO ALLOW SUCH DOCUMENTS TO BE RELEASED
TO WEU AGENCIES BY EITHER THE NAC OR THE RELEVANT
NATO CIVIL COMMITTEE. THESE DOCUMENTS ARE PASSED TO THE
WEU THROUGH THE FRENCH DELEGATION.

3. WE ARE CHECKING WITH IS TO DETERMINE WHAT CLASSIFIED
DOCUMENTS ARE CURRENTLY BEING PASSED TO THE WEU (WE WILL
TRANSMIT A LIST AS SOON AS IT IS RECEIVED). THE ONLY ONES
WE KNOW OF IMMEDIATELY ARE THE ANNUAL DPQ AND REPLIES FROM
WEU NATIONS (REFS D AND E) AND THE COUNTRY CHAPTERS WITH
STATISTICAL ANNEXES (ALSO FOR ONLY WEU NATIONS) EXTRACTED
FROM THE ANNUAL DEFENSE PLANNING REVIEW (REFS F AND G),
WHICH ARE ALL RELEASED TO THE DIRECTOR, WEU ARMAMENTS CONTROL
AGENCY (ALTHOUGH THEY ARE RECEIVED AND SIGNED FOR BY THE WEU
SECURITY OFFICER). WE NOTE THAT C-M(74)59 MENTIONED ABOVE
CONTAINS AN ANNEX LISTING THE FOLLOWING NATO CLASSIFIED
DOCUMENTS PASSED TO THE WEU AND ITS AGENCIES IN 1972:
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COSMIC TOP SECRET - 14
NATO SECRET - 34
NATO CONFIDENTIAL - 62
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NATO REGISTRY INFORMS US THAT THUS FAR THIS YEAR THEY HAVE
PASSED THE REPORT MENTIONED IN PARA 1 ABOVE, PLUS DPQ AND

DEFENSE PLANNING REVIEW DOCUMENTS; THE TOTAL IS:

COSMIC TOP SECRET - 2 (DPQ RESPONSE OF BELGIUM AND PART OF
ONE OTHER RESPONSE, PROBABLY ITALY)

NATO SECRET - APPROXIMATELY 30

NATO CONFIDENTIAL - 6

NATO RESTRICTED - NO RECORDS STRAUSZ-HUPE.

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